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FOR: PROCESS FOR THE FERMENTATIVE PREPARATION OF L-AMINO ACIDS  
USING ENTEROBACTERIACEAE STRAINS WITH ATTENUATED POXB  
GENES

AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated September 27, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

A discussion of the **Support for the Amendments** begins on page 7 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.

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